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1. On the left side of the road running from the Turnu Severin port area into the central part of the town are two man-made, circular mounds. They are located approximately 150 meters from the Danube River front. The mounds are both from six to seven meters in height and from 28 to 30 meters in circumference. No windows, slits, or entrances are visible; however, what appears to be a ventilation pipe is located on the top of each mound. Grass grows over both of them. The whole area is surrounded by a wooden fence about three meters in height. Entrance is by way of a tunnel from the Turnu Severin shipyards nearby. Outwardly the construction work appears to be completed. All persons entering the shipyard have a special pass and only persons residing in Turnu Severin are employed in the shipyard.
2. The hills overlooking the Danube River along the Rumanian-Yugoslav border in the vicinity of Orsova, Rumania, contain numerous machine gun emplacements. Military personnel were seen moving about in the hills at various points. Below the hills along the riverbank soldiers were observed digging foxholds.
3. In the area along the Rumanian bank of the Danube, between km. stone marker 930 at Turnu Severin, Rumania, and km. stone marker 861 at Prahova, Yugoslavia, lie a number of completed concrete bunkers. Soldiers were moving about some of them. The bunkers appeared to be from seven to eight meters in height and had two or three slits plainly visible facing the river. At other points high fences constructed of either reeds or straw were visible. These fences were placed there to hide construction of bunkers and will be removed when the bunkers are completed. An estimated 15 to 20 of these bunkers have been completed.

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[] Comment: An underground munitions factory is allegedly located here.

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